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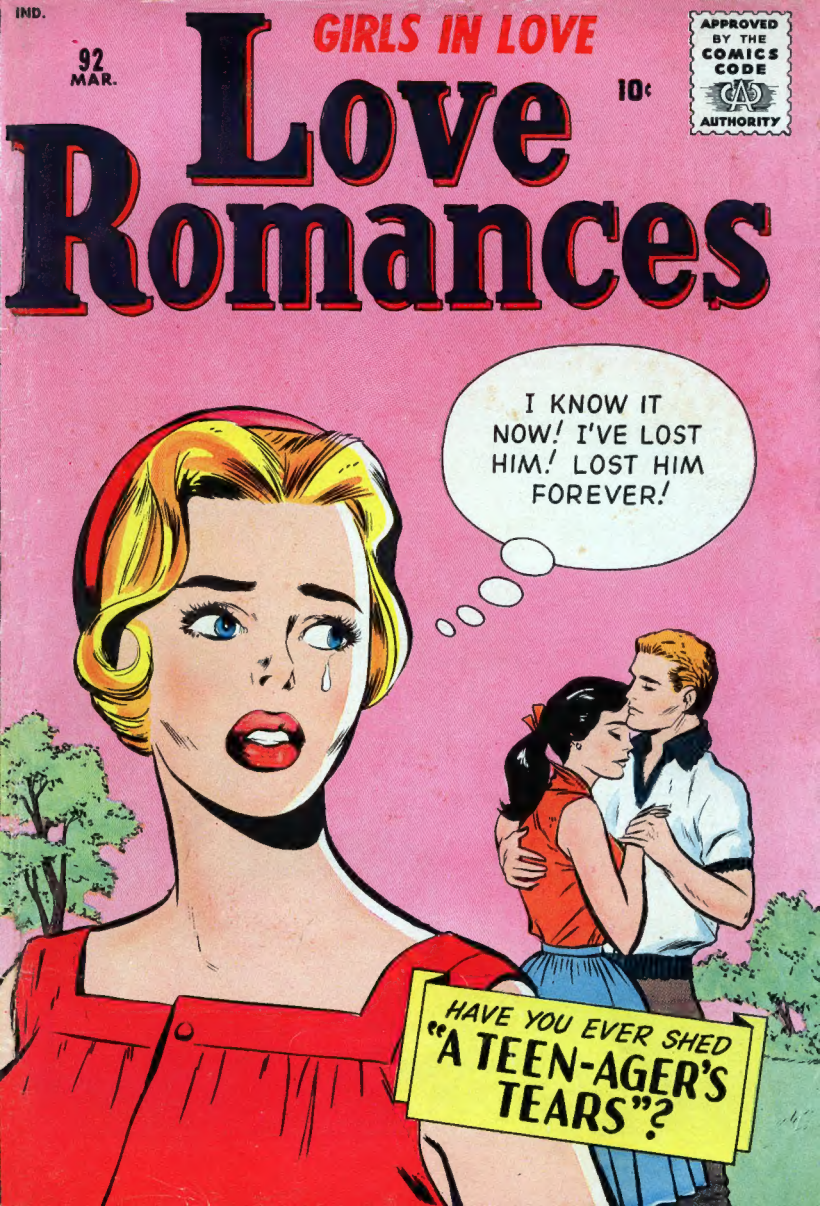

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PART 1
THE MAN I'LL MARRY
HIS ARMS WERE ABOUT ME... HIS LIPS WERE AGAINST MINE... AND I FELT WONDERFUL! BUT THIS WASN'T ENOUGH! FOR I HAD OTHER STANDARDS AND UNLESS A MAN COULD MEET THEM, HE JUST WASN'T THE MAN FOR ME! WAS I A SMART GIRL WAITING FOR THE BEST, OR WAS I A FOOL DENYING HER HEART?? READ MY STORY AND FIND OUT FOR YOURSELF!
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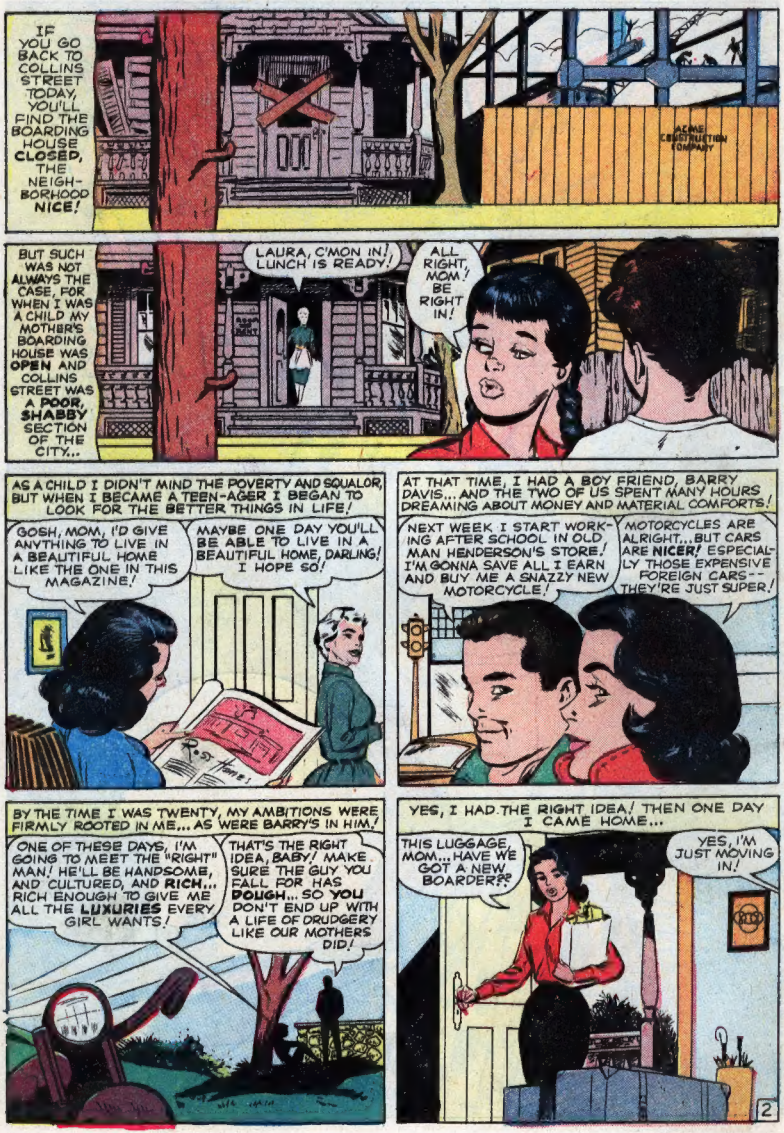
IF YOU GO BACK TO COLLINS STREET TODAY, YOU'LL FIND THE BOARDING HOUSE CLOSED, THE NEIGHBORHOOD NICE!
ACME CONSTRUCTION COMPANY
BUT SUCH WAS NOT ALWAYS THE CASE, FOR WHEN I WAS A CHILD MY MOTHER'S BOARDING HOUSE WAS OPEN AND COLLINS STREET WAS A POOR, SHABBY SECTION OF THE CITY...
LAURA, C'MON IN! LUNCH IS READY!
ALL RIGHT, MOM! BE RIGHT IN!
AS A CHILD I DIDN'T MIND THE POVERTY AND SQUALOR, BUT WHEN I BECAME A TEEN-AGER I BEGAN TO LOOK FOR THE BETTER THINGS IN LIFE!
GOSH, MOM, I'D GIVE ANYTHING TO LIVE IN A BEAUTIFUL HOME LIKE THE ONE IN THIS MAGAZINE!
MAYBE ONE DAY YOU'LL BE ABLE TO LIVE IN A BEAUTIFUL HOME, DARLING! I HOPE SO!
AT THAT TIME, I HAD A BOY FRIEND, BARRY DAVIS... AND THE TWO OF US SPENT MANY HOURS DREAMING ABOUT MONEY AND MATERIAL COMFORTS!
NEXT WEEK I START WORKING AFTER SCHOOL IN OLD MAN HENDERSON'S STORE! I'M GONNA SAVE ALL I EARN AND BUY ME A SNAZZY NEW MOTORCYCLE!
MOTORCYCLES ARE ALRIGHT... BUT CARS ARE NICER! ESPECIALLY THOSE EXPENSIVE FOREIGN CARS-- THEY'RE JUST SUPER!
BY THE TIME I WAS TWENTY, MY AMBITIONS WERE FIRMLY ROOTED IN ME... AS WERE BARRY'S IN HIM!
ONE OF THESE DAYS, I'M GOING TO MEET THE "RIGHT" MAN! HE'LL BE HANDSOME, AND CULTURED, AND RICH... RICH ENOUGH TO GIVE ME ALL THE LUXURIES EVERY GIRL WANTS!
THAT'S THE RIGHT IDEA, BABY! MAKE SURE THE GUY YOU FALL FOR HAS DOUGH... SO YOU DON'T END UP WITH A LIFE OF DRUDGERY LIKE OUR MOTHERS DID!
YES, I HAD THE RIGHT IDEA! THEN ONE DAY I CAME HOME...
THIS LUGGAGE, MOM... HAVE WE GOT A NEW BOARDER??
YES, I'M JUST MOVING IN!
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I TURNED AND SAW THE FRIENDLY, FINE-FEATURED FACE OF A POORLY DRESSED YOUNG MAN!
MY NAME IS ALAN COOPER! AND YOU, I TAKE IT, ARE MRS. DRAKE'S DAUGHTER!
YES, I'M LAURA!
AS SOON AS THE MAN WENT TO HIS ROOM, I QUESTIONED MY MOTHER...
HE'S A STRUGGLING YOUNG WRITER! HE HAS NO MONEY, AND CAN'T TAKE A JOB BECAUSE HE WANTS TO SPEND HIS TIME WRITING! I FELT SORRY FOR HIM AND TOOK HIM IN BECAUSE WE HAD AN EXTRA ROOM AND THE YOUNG MAN OFFERED TO DO ODD JOBS AROUND THE BOARDING HOUSE!
GOLLY, HE SEEMS NICE, BUT...
BUT WHAT, DEAR?
BUT HE'D SEEM A LOT NICER IF HE WEREN'T SO POOR!
AT DINNER THAT EVENING, I FOUND ALAN COOPER TO BE INTELLIGENT AND WITTY... AND BEFORE THE MEAL WAS OVER, I KNEW HE LIKED ME!
YOU'RE NOT FAMILIAR WITH THIS NEIGHBORHOOD, ARE YOU, MR. COOPER?
NO... AS A MATTER OF FACT, I WAS SORT OF HOPING YOUR DAUGHTER WOULD SHOW ME AROUND, IF SHE DOESN'T MIND!
HER DAUGHTER DOESN'T MIND AT ALL! WE'LL GO OUT AFTER DINNER!
AS YOU CAN WELL SEE, OUR NEIGHBORHOOD IS NOTHING MUCH TO LOOK AT, UNLESS YOU ENJOY POVERTY AND SQUALOR!
THERE MUST BE SOME NICE PLACES AROUND HERE!
THERE IS ONE! I'LL SHOW IT TO YOU!
FIFTEEN MINUTES LATER...
I OFTEN COME UP HERE WHEN I'M ALONE! IT HELPS ME TO FORGET THE SHABBY WORLD IN WHICH I LIVE!
IT'S BEAUTIFUL HERE... ALMOST AS BEAUTIFUL AS YOU, LAURA!
THANK YOU!
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ALAN AND I SPOKE FOR A LONG WHILE, AND I WAS SURPRISED TO LEARN WE HAD MUCH IN COMMON!
SO YOU'RE INTERESTED IN ART AND MUSIC, TOO!
YES... I PAINT WHENEVER I GET THE CHANCE AND I'VE PLAYED THE PIANO SINCE I WAS A CHILD!
AFTER WE RETURNED HOME, I FOUND MYSELF THINKING ABOUT OUR NEW BOARDER...
HE'S HANDSOME AND INTELLIGENT! I ENJOYED BEING WITH HIM... SPEAKING TO HIM! IF ONLY HE HAD A WELL-PAYING JOB, I MIGHT EVEN FALL FOR HIM!
WHEN I TOLD BARRY ABOUT ALAN, HE WARNED ME TO BE CAREFUL...
DON'T GET TOO INTERESTED IN THIS GUY, LAURA! WRITING IS A TOUGH PROFESSION, AND THE CHANCES ARE AGAINST AN UNKNOWN LIKE ALAN COOPER BECOMING A SUCCESS!
AND I CERTAINLY WOULDN'T WANT TO FALL IN LOVE WITH A FAILURE! YES, I'LL BE CAREFUL!
BUT I WASN'T CAREFUL ENOUGH, FOR I CONTINUED TO SPEND TIME WITH ALAN... OFTEN ON THE HILL... BENEATH THE MOON AND STARS... UNTIL ONE EVENING...
TONIGHT I'VE SOMETHING TO TELL YOU... BUT WORDS AREN'T ADEQUATE! I'LL HAVE TO THINK OF A BETTER WAY...
TO TELL YOU THAT YOU'RE WONDERFUL... THAT I LOVE YOU...
NO... ALAN, DON'T!
HIS LIPS TOUCHED MINE GENTLY, SWEETLY... WITH ALL THE LOVING WARMTH OF HIS SENSITIVE SOUL!
BUT SUDDENLY COLD, HARD REASON WELLED WITHIN ME! I QUICKLY CAME TO MY SENSES!
NO, ALAN! IT'S NO GOOD! KEEP AWAY FROM ME!
BUT, LAURA...
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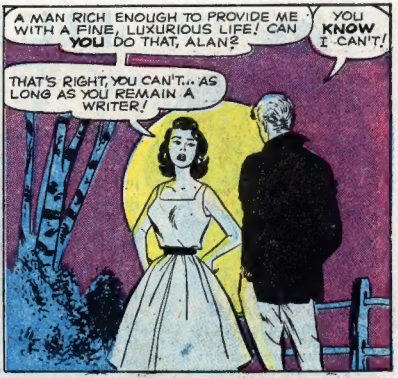
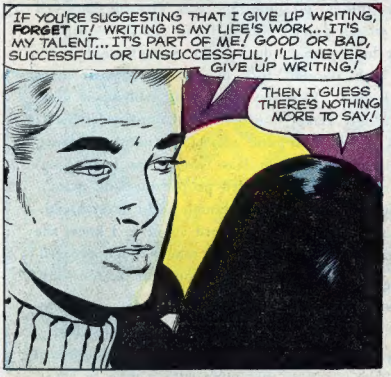
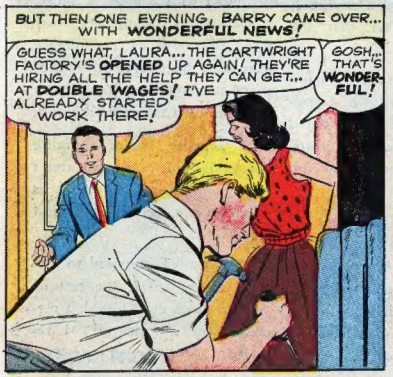
I DON'T UNDERSTAND! WHAT'S WRONG? YOU LIKE ME, I KNOW YOU DO!
YES, I LIKE YOU! BUT I DON'T LIKE POVERTY! WHEN I FALL IN LOVE, IT WILL BE WITH A MAN RICH ENOUGH TO TAKE ME OUT OF MY SQUALID WORLD...


A MAN RICH ENOUGH TO PROVIDE ME WITH A FINE, LUXURIOUS LIFE! CAN YOU DO THAT, ALAN?
YOU KNOW I CAN'T!
THAT'S RIGHT, YOU CAN'T... AS LONG AS YOU REMAIN A WRITER!


IF YOU'RE SUGGESTING THAT I GIVE UP WRITING, FORGET IT! WRITING IS MY LIFE'S WORK... IT'S MY TALENT... IT'S PART OF ME! GOOD OR BAD, SUCCESSFUL OR UNSUCCESSFUL, I'LL NEVER GIVE UP WRITING!
THEN I GUESS THERE'S NOTHING MORE TO SAY!

AFTER THAT, I STAYED AWAY FROM ALAN AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE!
HOW ABOUT TAKING A WALK TONIGHT, LAURA? WE HAVEN'T BEEN OUT TOGETHER FOR A FEW WEEKS!
NO, THANK YOU... I'M NOT INTERESTED! I HAVE MORE IMPORTANT THINGS TO DO!


BUT THEN ONE EVENING, BARRY CAME OVER... WITH WONDERFUL NEWS!
GUESS WHAT, LAURA... THE CARTWRIGHT FACTORY'S OPENED UP AGAIN! THEY'RE HIRING ALL THE HELP THEY CAN GET... AT DOUBLE WAGES! I'VE ALREADY STARTED WORK THERE!
GOSH... THAT'S WONDERFUL!

I WAS SO EXCITED, I COULDN'T HELP MYSELF... I HAD TO SAY SOMETHING TO ALAN...
OH, ALAN, THIS IS A TERRIFIC OPPORTUNITY! THINK OF IT... IF YOU HAD A WELL-PAYING JOB AT THE FACTORY, YOU WOULDN'T HAVE TO DO ODD JOBS AROUND HERE... AND YOU AND I COULD HAVE EACH OTHER, ALWAYS!
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I'LL BE WAITING

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WHEN Victoria moved next door ten years ago, I was just a freckled-faced kid with skinny legs and a yearning to be a cow poke. And Victoria—she was the prettiest little girl I had ever seen. She was shy then and nobody would have guessed she would blossom into the most beautiful bundle of whistle-appeal in our town.

But that's how things go. You never know what's going to happen. At our high school graduation dance, Vicki danced exclusively with me. She wouldn't even let Roger Baker cut in, and any girl in the senior class would have given her newly acquired diploma for the privilege of dancing with Jamestown's one and only football star to end his career unbeaten.

After the dance that night, I asked Victoria to become officially engaged to me.

"And four years isn't as long as it sounds," I added, my heart pounding with fear that she might refuse.

"But, Johnny, we're both too young to be tied down. Goodness, you haven't even dated anyone but me for five years. It wouldn't be fair to you and . . ."

"You mean it wouldn't be fair to *you*, don't you, Vicki," I interrupted. "I know. You're the one going to college, not I. You're right . . . it wouldn't be fair to ask you not to have the kind of college life other girls have. I'm selfish, completely selfish because I love you so much," I said, clenching my fists. It was hard to let her go like this, knowing she would meet plenty of fellows with money who could give her the kind of life she was accustomed to.

That had always been the big barrier between Vicki and me. She was Victoria Sandford whose father made a fortune during the war. Gerald Sandford bought the Pickens place up on the hill and when Vicki moved away from Garden Street she moved to another planet, at least insofar as I was considered proper husband material. Although Vicki never breathed a word about it, I knew she had been asked, if not ordered, to break off our relationship.

But that shy little girl with the coal black pigtails had a will of her own. I looked at her now, with a mass of shiny, black ringlets framing her small face. She returned my intense gaze with those large violet eyes that had made every male heart in Jamestown take a double flip.

"I suppose you're thinking the same old nonsense, aren't you?" she asked, looking as stern as her cameo beauty would allow.

"What am I supposed to do? Ask you to spend the rest of your life in a duplex with a mechanic for a husband?" I retorted.

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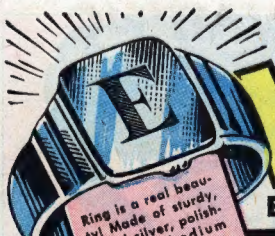

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OH, YOU... YOU'RE JUST **IMPOSSIBLE!!**

C'MON, BARRY, LET'S GET OUT OF HERE! AT LEAST WHEN I'M WITH YOU, I'M WITH A REAL MAN, NOT A LITERARY **FANATIC!**

BUT WHEN I WAS WITH BARRY, I WAS WITH HIM ... ONLY SUPERFICIALLY! ALL THE HEART AND SOUL OF ME BELONGED TO ALAN COOPER!
BARRY, I'M SO **UNHAPPY!** I LOVE HIM... WE HAVE THE SAME INTERESTS... WE ENJOY THE SAME THINGS... BUT WHEN IT COMES TO **MONEY** WE'RE SO **DIFFERENT!** IF **ONLY** HE WERE INTERESTED IN MONEY LIKE OTHER MEN!

EASY, BABY... THE GUY **IS** WHAT HE IS, AND **YOU** CAN'T CHANGE HIM! BETWEEN YOU AND ME, HE'S NOT EVEN **WORTH** CHANGING! HE'S JUST A LAZY JERK WHO DOESN'T WANT TO DO AN HONEST DAY'S WORK!
YOU'RE RIGHT... I KNOW YOU ARE! BUT I CAN'T **HELP** MYSELF... I STILL LOVE HIM!
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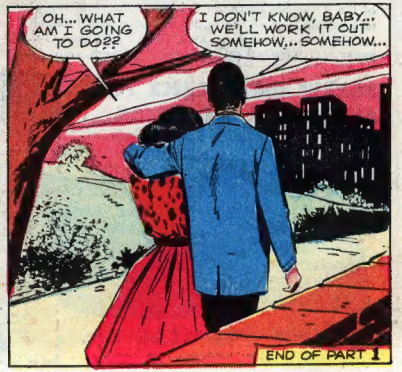
OH... WHAT AM I GOING TO DO??
I DON'T KNOW, BABY... WE'LL WORK IT OUT SOMEHOW... SOMEHOW...
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AFTER ALAN REFUSED A WELL-PAYING JOB AT THE FACTORY, BARRY AND I HIT ON A PLAN! WE WOULD TRY TO MAKE ALAN JEALOUS OF MY AFFECTION FOR BARRY! PERHAPS JEALOUSY WOULD MAKE THE YOUNG WRITER GIVE UP HIS CRAFT, AND GO GET A JOB IN AN ATTEMPT TO WIN ME FROM BARRY!
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THE MAN I'LL MARRY
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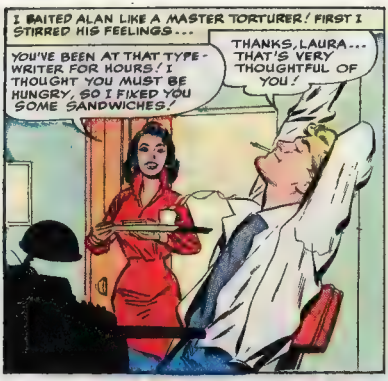
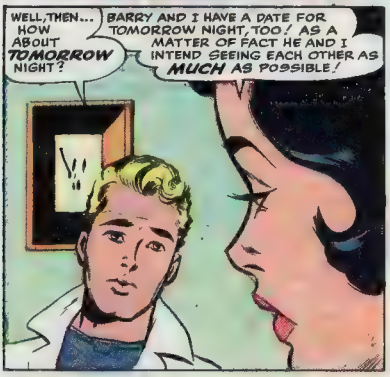
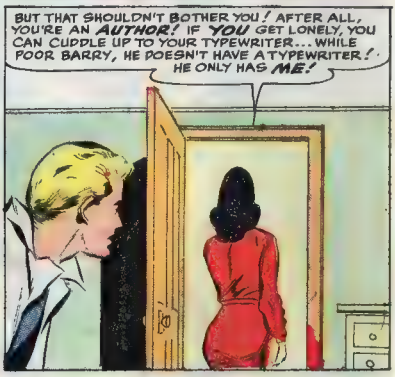
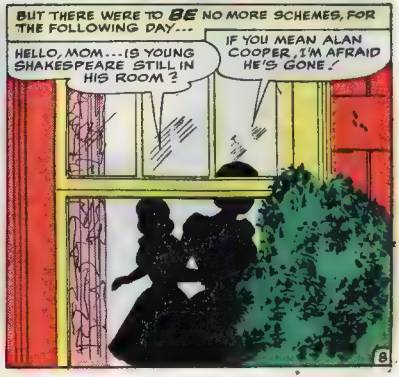

I BAITED ALAN LIKE A MASTER TORTURER! FIRST I STIRRED HIS FEELINGS...
YOU'VE BEEN AT THAT TYPEWRITER FOR HOURS! I THOUGHT YOU MUST BE HUNGRY, SO I FIXED YOU SOME SANDWICHES!
THANKS, LAURA... THAT'S VERY THOUGHTFUL OF YOU!

THEN I REJECTED THE FEELINGS I HAD STIRRED...
SAY, I'LL BE FINISHED WITH THIS CHAPTER BY THIS EVENING! HOW ABOUT GOING OUT WITH ME THEN?
I'M SORRY, BUT I'M GOING OUT WITH BARRY TONIGHT!

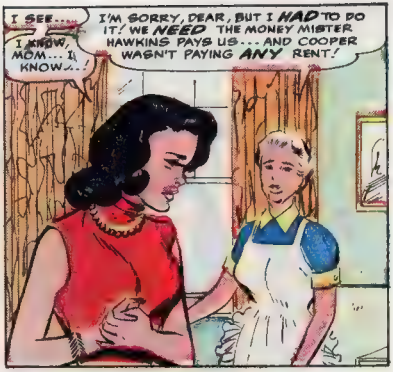

WELL, THEN... HOW ABOUT TOMORROW NIGHT?
BARRY AND I HAVE A DATE FOR TOMORROW NIGHT, TOO! AS A MATTER OF FACT HE AND I INTEND SEEING EACH OTHER AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE!


BUT THAT SHOULDN'T BOTHER YOU! AFTER ALL, YOU'RE AN AUTHOR! IF YOU GET LONELY, YOU CAN CUDDLE UP TO YOUR TYPEWRITER... WHILE POOR BARRY, HE DOESN'T HAVE A TYPEWRITER! HE ONLY HAS ME!

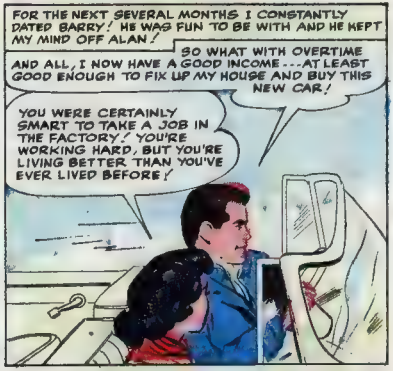
BUT AFTER A FEW WEEKS TRIAL, THE PLAN PROVED TO BE FUTILE!
OH, HE GETS JEALOUS, ALL RIGHT, BUT NOT NEARLY JEALOUS ENOUGH TO GIVE UP HIS WRITING AND GO TAKE A JOB!
WELL, WE'LL JUST HAVE TO THINK OF ANOTHER SCHEME!

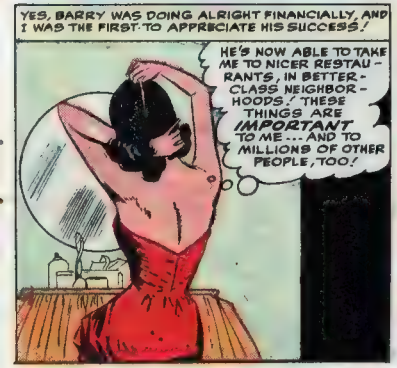

BUT THERE WERE TO BE NO MORE SCHEMES, FOR THE FOLLOWING DAY...
HELLO, MOM... IS YOUNG SHAKESPEARE STILL IN HIS ROOM?
IF YOU MEAN ALAN COOPER, I'M AFRAID HE'S GONE!

GONE?? WHAT HAPPENED??? WHY DID HE LEAVE??
I ASKED HIM TO... BECAUSE MR. HAWKINS, WHO'S A PAYING BOARDER, WANTED HIS ROOM FOR A FRIEND WHO'S COMING TO TOWN! I COULDN'T TAKE A CHANCE ON LOSING MISTER HAWKINS, SO I ASKED COOPER TO LEAVE!


I SEE...
I KNOW, MOM... I KNOW...!
I'M SORRY, DEAR, BUT I HAD TO DO IT! WE NEED THE MONEY! MISTER HAWKINS PAYS US... AND COOPER WASN'T PAYING ANY RENT!

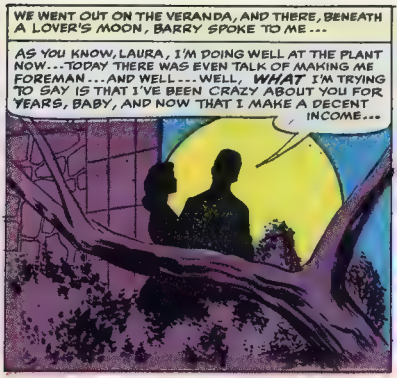
SO NOW ALAN WAS GONE... I WOULD NEVER SEE HIM AGAIN... I WOULD LIVE THE REST OF MY LIFE WITHOUT HIM!
HEAR ME, ALAN COOPER, WHEREVER YOU ARE! I LOVE YOU AND YOU LEFT ME, SO NOW I'M HURT! BUT I'M NOT GOING TO REMAIN HURT... I'M GOING TO GET OVER YOU AND THE LOVE I FEEL FOR YOU! I PROMISE YOU THAT!


FOR THE NEXT SEVERAL MONTHS I CONSTANTLY DATED BARRY! HE WAS FUN TO BE WITH AND HE KEPT MY MIND OFF ALAN!
SO WHAT WITH OVERTIME AND ALL, I NOW HAVE A GOOD INCOME... AT LEAST GOOD ENOUGH TO FIX UP MY HOUSE AND BUY THIS NEW CAR!
YOU WERE CERTAINLY SMART TO TAKE A JOB IN THE FACTORY! YOU'RE WORKING HARD, BUT YOU'RE LIVING BETTER THAN YOU'VE EVER LIVED BEFORE!

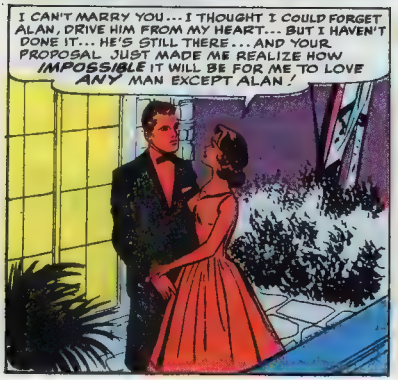

YES, BARRY WAS DOING ALRIGHT FINANCIALLY, AND I WAS THE FIRST TO APPRECIATE HIS SUCCESS!
HE'S NOW ABLE TO TAKE ME TO NICER RESTAURANTS, IN BETTER-CLASS NEIGHBORHOODS! THESE THINGS ARE IMPORTANT TO ME... AND TO MILLIONS OF OTHER PEOPLE, TOO!

BUT WHEN I WAS ASLEEP... WHEN MY TRUE HUNGERS AND LONGINGS REVEALED THEMSELVES... IT WAS NOT MONEY AND LUXURY OF WHICH I DREAMED, IT WAS THE MAN WHOSE LIPS HAD STIRRED MY SOUL... THE MAN I LOST...!
9.

THEN CAME THE NIGHT I SHALL NEVER FORGET! BARRY AND I WERE OUT ON A DATE...WE WERE DANCING...
LAURA, LET'S STEP OUTSIDE FOR A MINUTE! I'VE GOT SOMETHING TO SAY TO YOU!


WE WENT OUT ON THE VERANDA, AND THERE, BENEATH A LOVER'S MOON, BARRY SPOKE TO ME...
AS YOU KNOW, LAURA, I'M DOING WELL AT THE PLANT NOW...TODAY THERE WAS EVEN TALK OF MAKING ME FOREMAN...AND WELL...WELL, WHAT I'M TRYING TO SAY IS THAT I'VE BEEN CRAZY ABOUT YOU FOR YEARS, BABY, AND NOW THAT I MAKE A DECENT INCOME...

FOR A MOMENT I JUST STOPPED THERE, STUNNED BY BARRY'S PROPOSAL, AND SURPRISED AT THE FACT THAT I WAS STUNNED! THEN IT CAME TO ME...IT WASN'T BARRY'S PROPOSAL THAT HAD HIT ME, IT WAS THE TRUTH WHICH THE PROPOSAL HAD REVEALED TO ME!
OH, BARRY...I'M SORRY...SO AWFULLY SORRY...


I CAN'T MARRY YOU...I THOUGHT I COULD FORGET ALAN, DRIVE HIM FROM MY HEART...BUT I HAVEN'T DONE IT...HE'S STILL THERE...AND YOUR PROPOSAL JUST MADE ME REALIZE HOW IMPOSSIBLE IT WILL BE FOR ME TO LOVE ANY MAN EXCEPT ALAN!

AND THEN I COULD NO LONGER HOLD BACK THE TEARS, OR STILL MY EMOTIONS...
FORGIVE ME, BARRY...I CAN'T HELP MYSELF...ALAN WILL ALWAYS BE IN MY HEART! ALWAYS!
LAURA!
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BOYS, GIRLS, MEN, WOMEN

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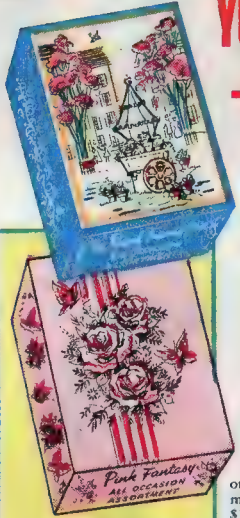

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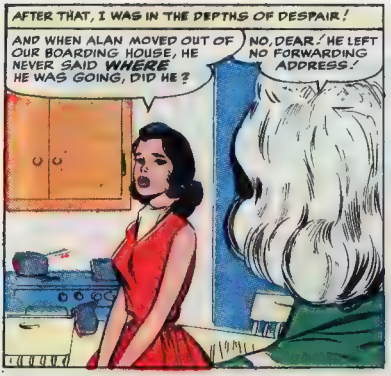
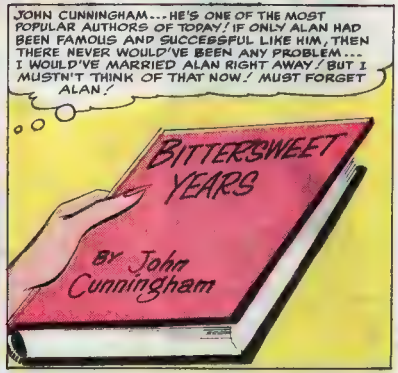
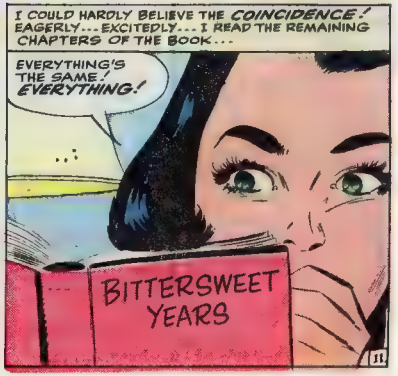

AFTER THAT, I WAS IN THE DEPTHS OF DESPAIR!
AND WHEN ALAN MOVED OUT OF OUR BOARDING HOUSE, HE NEVER SAID WHERE HE WAS GOING, DID HE?
NO, DEAR! HE LEFT NO FORWARDING ADDRESS!

OH, MOM, I'M SO MISERABLY UNHAPPY! NOW THAT I KNOW I'LL ALWAYS LOVE ALAN... NOW THAT I WANT TO MARRY HIM REGARDLESS OF HIS WRITING... NOW I DON'T KNOW WHERE HE IS!

YES, ALAN WAS GONE... AND I HAD NO WAY OF FINDING HIM! IN THE WEEKS THAT FOLLOWED, I TRIED TO GET OVER MY ANGUISH... MY LONGING! MOM HELPED IN WHATEVER WAY SHE COULD!
I BOUGHT YOU A COUPLE OF BOOKS, DEAR! THIS ONE, ESPECIALLY, YOU SHOULD LIKE... IT'S THE NEWEST NOVEL BY JOHN CUNNINGHAM!
THANKS, MOM... MAYBE THE BOOKS WILL TAKE MY MIND OFF MY SORROW!

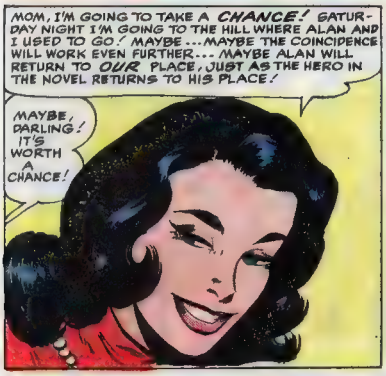

JOHN CUNNINGHAM... HE'S ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR AUTHORS OF TODAY! IF ONLY ALAN HAD BEEN FAMOUS AND SUCCESSFUL LIKE HIM, THEN THERE NEVER WOULD'VE BEEN ANY PROBLEM... I WOULD'VE MARRIED ALAN RIGHT AWAY! BUT I MUSTN'T THINK OF THAT NOW! MUST FORGET ALAN!
BITTERSWEET YEARS
By John Cunningham

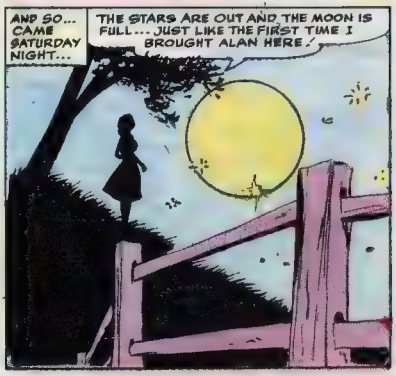
SO I BEGAN TO READ JOHN CUNNINGHAM'S NEW NOVEL! AT FIRST I DIDN'T NOTICE ANYTHING... BUT AFTER A FEW CHAPTERS, THE SIMILARITY BECAME APPARENT...
WHY, IT'S ALMOST THE SAME SITUATION!


I COULD HARDLY BELIEVE THE COINCIDENCE! EAGERLY... EXCITEDLY... I READ THE REMAINING CHAPTERS OF THE BOOK...
EVERYTHING'S THE SAME! EVERYTHING!
BITTERSWEET YEARS

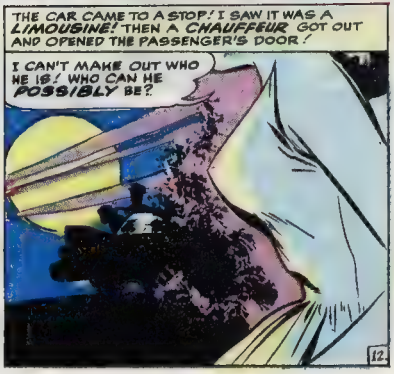
MOM, IT'S THE MOST INCREDIBLE COINCIDENCE! EVERYTHING IN THE BOOK IS JUST LIKE WHAT HAPPENED BETWEEN ALAN AND ME! THE HEROINE'S SITUATION IS EXACTLY LIKE MINE!

THERE'S JUST ONE DIFFERENCE! IT'S AT THE END! WHERE THE HERO SAYS "IF SHE REALLY WANTS TO FIND ME, SHE'LL RETURN TO THE PLACE WHERE WE USED TO LOOK AT THE STARS! THERE I'LL WAIT FOR HER EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT... UNTIL SHE COMES!"


MOM, I'M GOING TO TAKE A CHANCE! SATURDAY NIGHT I'M GOING TO THE HILL WHERE ALAN AND I USED TO GO! MAYBE ...MAYBE THE COINCIDENCE WILL WORK EVEN FURTHER... MAYBE ALAN WILL RETURN TO OUR PLACE, JUST AS THE HERO IN THE NOVEL RETURNS TO HIS PLACE!
MAYBE, DARLING! IT'S WORTH A CHANCE!


AND SO... CAME SATURDAY NIGHT...
THE STARS ARE OUT AND THE MOON IS FULL... JUST LIKE THE FIRST TIME I BROUGHT ALAN HERE!

WHEN I REACHED THE TOP OF THE HILL, I WAITED... TENSE SECONDS... MINUTES...
IT'S USELESS! HE'S NOT... WAIT... HEADLIGHTS! A CAR'S COMING!


THE CAR CAME TO A STOP! I SAW IT WAS A LIMOUSINE! THEN A CHAUFFEUR GOT OUT AND OPENED THE PASSENGER'S DOOR!
I CAN'T MAKE OUT WHO HE IS! WHO CAN HE POSSIBLY BE?

A MOMENT LATER, I HAD MY ANSWER!
ALAN!
YES, ALAN... OR, IF YOU PREFER, JOHN... JOHN CUNNINGHAM!
JOHN CUNNINGHAM?? ...I... I DON'T UNDERSTAND! ...I MEAN... WHY??
ALAN COOPER IS MY REAL NAME! THE PEN NAME UNDER WHICH I WRITE MY NOVELS IS JOHN CUNNINGHAM! WHEN I CAME TO YOUR HOUSE I WANTED JUST TO LIVE THERE AS A YOUNG WRITER TO GET MATERIAL FOR MY NOVEL! THAT'S WHY I DIDN'T LET ON I WAS RICH, SUCCESSFUL JOHN CUNNINGHAM!
THEN, LATER, I FELL IN LOVE WITH YOU! I WOULD HAVE TOLD YOU THE TRUTH THEN, BUT I WAS AFRAID TO!
AFRAID? AFRAID OF WHAT?
I WAS FEARFUL OF YOUR STRONG DESIRE FOR MONEY AND LUXURIES! I WAS AFRAID THAT YOU WOULD NOT MARRY ME FOR LOVE, BUT FOR WHAT I COULD GIVE YOU!
OH, ALAN... THAT'S NOT TRUE! YES, I WANTED MONEY... BUT I ALWAYS LOVED YOU YOURSELF!... ALWAYS!
YES, DARLING... I KNOW THAT NOW, BY THE FACT THAT YOU CAME BACK HERE AGAIN... TO WAIT FOR ME!
AND NOW THAT I HAVE YOU, YOU'LL NEVER HAVE TO PROVE ANOTHER THING TO ME! ALL YOU'LL HAVE TO DO FROM NOW ON, IS BE WITH ME ALWAYS!
FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE, DEAREST...
AND WE SEALED OUR PLEDGE OF LOVE WITH A KISS! SOON ALAN AND I WERE MARRIED! AND TODAY IT MATTERS NOT WHETHER YOU CALL ME MRS. ALAN COOPER, OR MRS. JOHN CUNNINGHAM... THEY ARE BOTH THE SAME WOMAN... THE HAPPIEST WOMAN IN THE WHOLE WORLD!
13.

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Are you willing to take a chance? We won't tell you what you get, but because you're willing to gamble, we'll give you more than your money's worth.
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WHOOPEE CUSHION

Place it on a chair under a cushion, then watch the fun when someone sits down! It gives forth embarrassing noises. Made of rubber, and inflatable. A scream at parties and gatherings.
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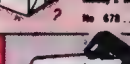

AMAZING MINIATURE RADIO

Tiny featherweight radio that operates without batteries, without tubes, but brings you years of listening pleasure. Nothing to wear out or replace. Plays indefinitely. Complete with own earplug.
NO. 044 ..... 4.98

ATOMIC SMOKE BOMB

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ELECTRIC MOTOR
Drives All Models

Yes, now you can have an actual electric motor for just 50¢. It sounds unbelievable, but it's true. This compact little kit makes it a cinch to build this high power unit. And the fun you're going to get driving your model planes, boats, etc. Comes complete with easy to follow instructions for assembly.
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ELECTRONIC TARGET PERISCOPE

Look through the eyepiece as the enemy subs and ships come into view. Then aim and fire. The enemy's blasted out of the water. Can be used over and over again. Works on standard batteries.
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A realistic 34" snake that will spin and spook the neighbors! Throw it into a crowd and watch the fun start!
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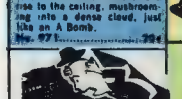

AUTO BREAKER

Greatest gag in years! Place this gadget inside any tail pipe and watch the fun. Sounds like the transmission, fuel pump, and whole rear end caved in. Harmless, but a panic.
NO. 087 ..... 75¢

BLACK EYE JOKE

Show them the "naughty" pictures inside. They'll twist it and turn it to see, but all they do is blacken their eyes.
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Precision camera so small, at fits in cigarette pack. Weighs 2½ ounces and takes 10 pictures per roll. Practices prevent leaks and time exposo shutter. Can be hidden anywhere. Complete with free roll of film.
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Pocket Gym will develop your chest, bicep, triceps, neck, shoulders, stomach and legs. In just 30 days, you'll begin to earn the respect of all your friends—the admiration of all the girls. You'll keep fit and fear no one.
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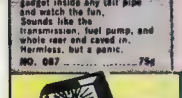

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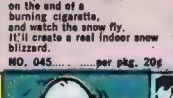

HOT CANDY

Looks like regular candy, but it sure doesn't taste like it. Burns their mouth when they eat it. Pkg. of 3
NO. 022 ..... 39¢

BITTER CIGARETTE

Dip the ends of a cigarette into this tobacco—colored powder, and watch the fun—is it bitter!
NO. 026 ..... 20¢

Sorry, but we cannot ship orders totalling less than $1.00
Kindly add 15¢ for postage and handling to all orders

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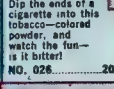

BLACK CHEWING GUM

Sucker starts chewing this ordinary-looking gum and his mouth and teeth turn black. It's awful but harmless.
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ONE-WAY GLASS

See without being seen. You look thru one side and it's just like a window, look in the other side and it's a mirror.
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IT WAS A PICNIC, FULL OF LIGHTHEARTED FUN AND GAIETY FOR EVERY-ONE EXCEPT ME!
A TEEN-AGER'S TEARS
I SHOULD NEVER HAVE COME HERE / I HAVE NO INTEREST IN ANYTHING! I'M JUST SAD AND LONELY ... AND I'LL ALWAYS BE THIS WAY, NOW THAT I'VE LOST HIM...!
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ONE DAY LAST SUMMER, MY WHOLE WORLD SUDDENLY --UNEXPECTEDLY-- FELL APART!
WHAT DID YOU SAY, EMILY HODGES??!
I SAID THAT FRANK IS TAKING ME TO THIS YEAR'S SCHOOL PICNIC!
BUT THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE! FRANK AND I ARE GOING STEADY! HE PROMISED TO TAKE ME TO THE PICNIC!
IT SEEMS HIS TASTE IN GIRLS IS IMPROVING! NOW HE WANTS TO GO STEADY WITH ME!
WHY YOU--YOU HORRID, MISERABLE CREATURE! GET OUT OF THIS HOUSE! GO ON-- GET OUT!!
CERTAINLY, HONEY...NOW THAT I'VE LET YOU KNOW ABOUT FRANK AND MYSELF, I'LL GLADLY LEAVE!
OHHH! THAT EMILY HODGES ...I NEVER LIKED HER! BUT NOW--NOW I LOATHE HER!! AND FRANK--
HOW COULD HE HURT ME THIS WAY? HE KNOWS HOW MUCH I LOVE HIM, BUT HE DOESN'T CARE! HE DOESN'T CARE THAT HE'S--BROKEN MY HEART!
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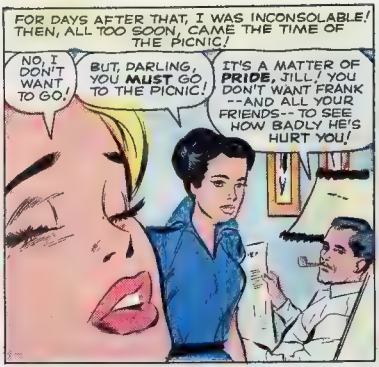
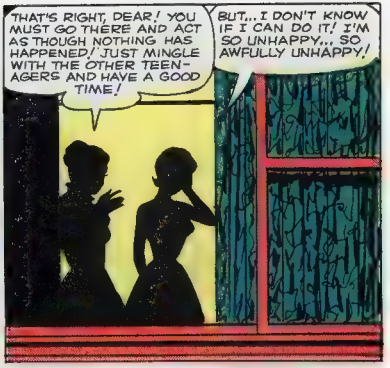
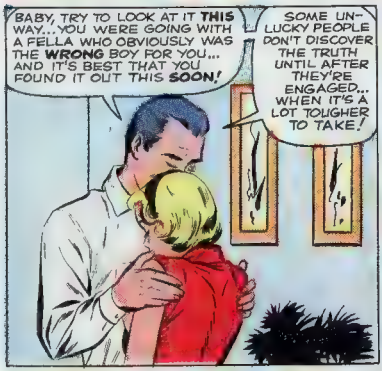
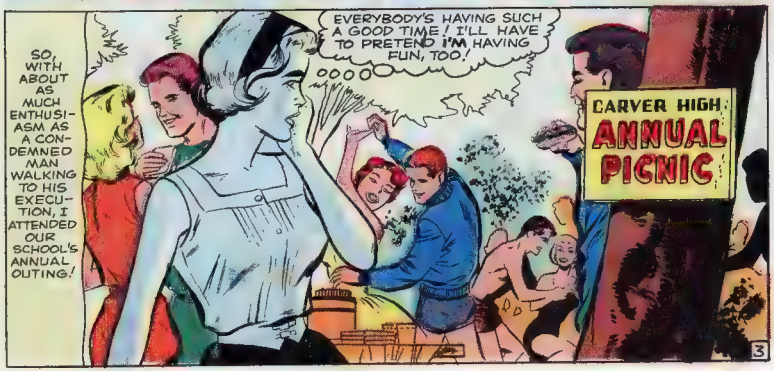
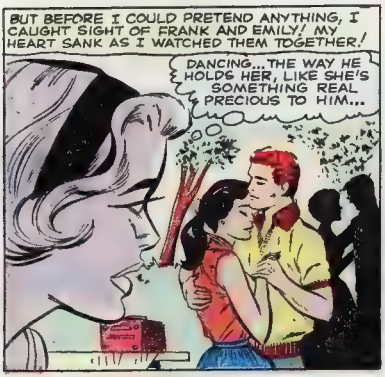

FOR DAYS AFTER THAT, I WAS INCONSOLABLE! THEN, ALL TOO SOON, CAME THE TIME OF THE PICNIC!
NO, I DON'T WANT TO GO!
BUT, DARLING, YOU **MUST** GO TO THE PICNIC!
IT'S A MATTER OF **PRIDE**, JILL! YOU DON'T WANT FRANK --AND ALL YOUR FRIENDS-- TO SEE HOW BADLY HE'S HURT YOU!

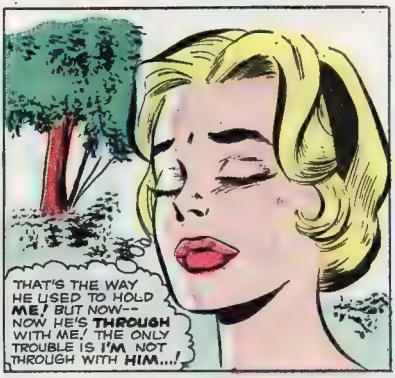

THAT'S RIGHT, DEAR! YOU MUST GO THERE AND ACT AS THOUGH NOTHING HAS HAPPENED! JUST MINGLE WITH THE OTHER TEEN-AGERS AND HAVE A GOOD TIME!
BUT... I DON'T KNOW IF I CAN DO IT! I'M SO UNHAPPY... SO AWFULLY UNHAPPY!

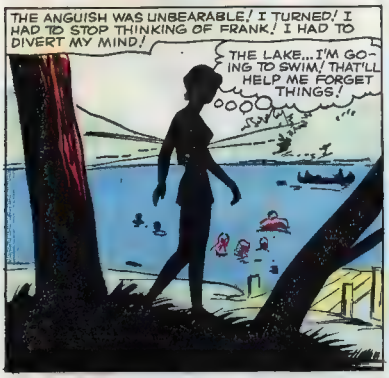

BABY, TRY TO LOOK AT IT **THIS** WAY... YOU WERE GOING WITH A FELLA WHO OBVIOUSLY WAS THE **WRONG** BOY FOR YOU... AND IT'S BEST THAT YOU FOUND IT OUT THIS **SOON!**
SOME UN-LUCKY PEOPLE DON'T DISCOVER THE TRUTH UNTIL AFTER THEY'RE ENGAGED... WHEN IT'S A LOT TOUGHER TO TAKE!

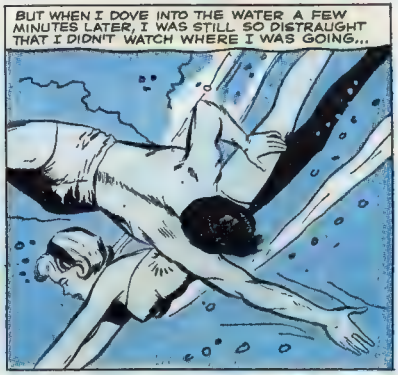
MAYBE YOU'RE RIGHT... I-I DON'T KNOW... BUT I'LL DO WHAT YOU SAY! I'LL GO TO THE PICNIC!

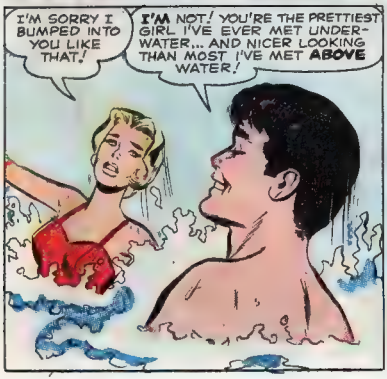

SO, WITH ABOUT AS MUCH ENTHUSI-ASM AS A CON-DEMNED MAN WALKING TO HIS EXECU-TION, I ATTENDED OUR SCHOOL'S ANNUAL OUTING!
EVERYBODY'S HAVING SUCH A GOOD TIME! I'LL HAVE TO PRETEND **I'M** HAVING FUN, TOO!
CARVER HIGH
ANNUAL PICNIC

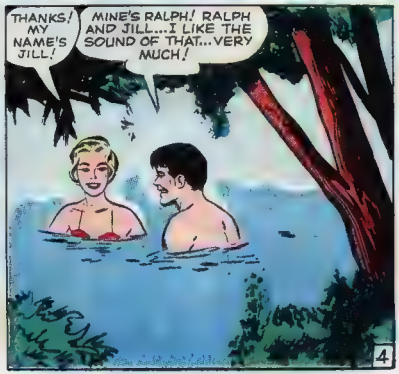

BUT BEFORE I COULD PRETEND ANYTHING, I CAUGHT SIGHT OF FRANK AND EMILY! MY HEART SANK AS I WATCHED THEM TOGETHER!
DANCING...THE WAY HE HOLDS HER, LIKE SHE'S SOMETHING REAL PRECIOUS TO HIM...

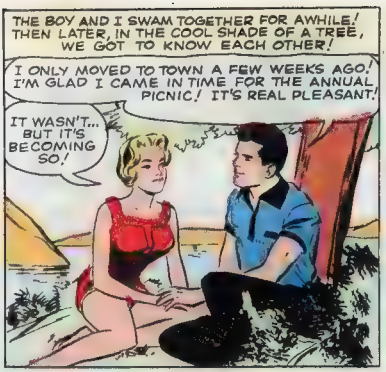

THAT'S THE WAY HE USED TO HOLD ME! BUT NOW--NOW HE'S THROUGH WITH ME! THE ONLY TROUBLE IS I'M NOT THROUGH WITH HIM...!

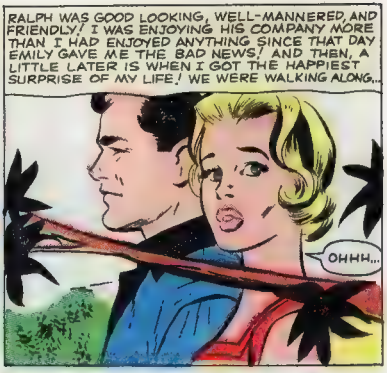

THE ANGUISH WAS UNBEARABLE! I TURNED! I HAD TO STOP THINKING OF FRANK! I HAD TO DIVERT MY MIND!
THE LAKE...I'M GOING TO SWIM! THAT'LL HELP ME FORGET THINGS!

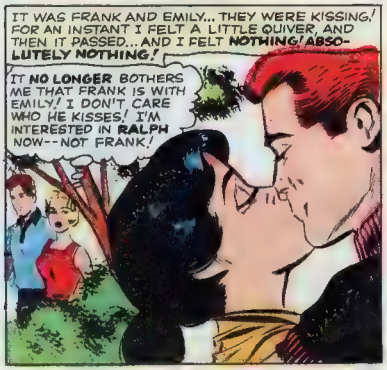

BUT WHEN I DOVE INTO THE WATER A FEW MINUTES LATER, I WAS STILL SO DISTRAUGHT THAT I DIDN'T WATCH WHERE I WAS GOING...

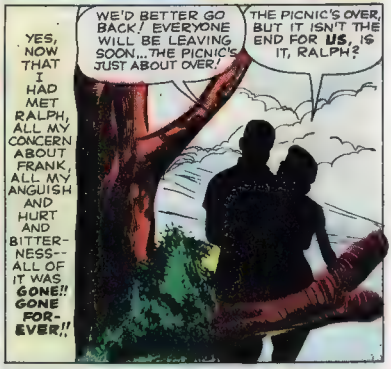

I'M SORRY I BUMPED INTO YOU LIKE THAT!
I'M NOT! YOU'RE THE PRETTIEST GIRL I'VE EVER MET UNDER-WATER... AND NICER LOOKING THAN MOST I'VE MET ABOVE WATER!


THANKS! MY NAME'S JILL!
MINE'S RALPH! RALPH AND JILL....I LIKE THE SOUND OF THAT...VERY MUCH!


THE BOY AND I SWAM TOGETHER FOR AWHILE! THEN LATER, IN THE COOL SHADE OF A TREE, WE GOT TO KNOW EACH OTHER!
I ONLY MOVED TO TOWN A FEW WEEKS AGO, I'M GLAD I CAME IN TIME FOR THE ANNUAL PICNIC! IT'S REAL PLEASANT!
IT WASN'T... BUT IT'S BECOMING SO!


RALPH WAS GOOD LOOKING, WELL-MANNERED, AND FRIENDLY! I WAS ENJOYING HIS COMPANY MORE THAN I HAD ENJOYED ANYTHING SINCE THAT DAY EMILY GAVE ME THE BAD NEWS! AND THEN, A LITTLE LATER IS WHEN I GOT THE HAPPIEST SURPRISE OF MY LIFE! WE WERE WALKING ALONG...
OHHH...


IT WAS FRANK AND EMILY... THEY WERE KISSING! FOR AN INSTANT I FELT A LITTLE QUIVER, AND THEN IT PASSED... AND I FELT **NOTHING! ABSOLUTELY NOTHING!**
IT **NO LONGER** BOTHERS ME THAT FRANK IS WITH EMILY! I DON'T CARE WHO HE KISSES! I'M INTERESTED IN **RALPH** NOW--NOT FRANK!


YES, NOW THAT I HAD MET RALPH, ALL MY CONCERN ABOUT FRANK, ALL MY ANGUISH AND HURT AND BITTERNESS--ALL OF IT WAS **GONE!! GONE FOREVER!!**
WE'D BETTER GO BACK! EVERYONE WILL BE LEAVING SOON... THE PICNIC'S JUST ABOUT OVER!
THE PICNIC'S OVER, BUT IT ISN'T THE END FOR **US**, IS IT, RALPH?

NO, JILL, IT'S NOT THE END FOR US! FOR YOU AND ME, IT'S JUST THE **BEGINNING!**
AND THAT'S HOW IT WAS, DEAR READER ...AND HOW IT WILL BE FOR YOU IF YOU LOSE YOUR LOVE! THE HIGHWAY OF LIFE IS LONG, AND THERE IS ALWAYS SOMEONE WAITING AROUND THE BEND... SOMEONE JUST AS NICE, OR EVEN NICER, THAN THE LOVE YOU'VE LOST!
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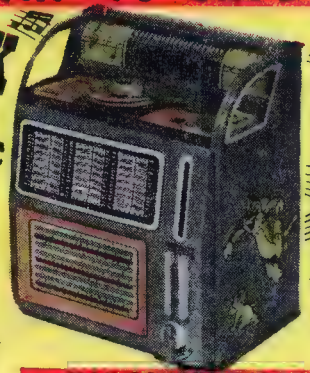

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"There's the scholarship," she insisted.

"I can't take it and you know it. Somebody's got to pay for Jimmy's operations and I've been elected. Oh, look, Vicki, let's not talk about it any more. When you come back, if you come back, I'll be waiting," I said and gathered her into my arms, holding her tightly as though it would help press the ache out of my chest.

That was a year ago. The longest year of mere existence I hope ever to have. Watching my brother get well helped, and going to night school cut down the number of hours left to think about Vicki. Did she still feel the same? She said so in her letters, but they were getting more and more infrequent.

When June came I met the reason for Vicki's lax correspondence. his name was Carlton — Carlton Richard Thorndike, III, fresh out of prep school and fresh out of good manners. He wore his snobbery like his school tie, a badge of supposed distinction and superiority.

I wish Vicki had waited until I got the grease off my face before introducing us, but with her usual impulsiveness she just turned up with him, sitting like a Great Dane next to her in the car.

"Hi, Johnny!" she called. "Where are you?"

"Here!" I bellowed from under a car and crawled out. The smile faded when I saw her companion.

"This is Carlton. He's going to spend a few weeks. Carlton, this is Johnny Creighton. You've heard enough about him to be old friends," Vicki said warmly.

"Yes. You were right, Victoria. He does have a rugged quality," Carlton returned and ignored my extended hand.

I lowered my arm and rubbed my hand over my overalls.

"You'll have the most charming company in the world for a few weeks," I said, not daring to look at his arrogant profile for fear I'd give into the desire to rearrange it.

"Johnny, what a nice thing for you to say," Vicki replied, finally sensing the tension between Thorndike and me.

"Sorry to cut the conversation short, but I've got to finish this job," I mumbled, feeling the blood rush to my face. "See you around, Vicki," I finished and turned away, hurrying up the ramp before she could answer.

"I'll be waiting," she called at my back, but I couldn't look around. Tears of helpless rage brimmed in my eyes and I swallowed them back. Nobody needed to say it. We both knew this was the end of a very old romance.

When Prof. Andrews told me I had been awarded the four year scholarship to the university's school of architectural design, I suppose I should have let out a loud whoop of joy. I think I was more relieved than happy. It meant getting away from all the people and places that reminded me of Vicki. Now her letters could be returned unopened and unread and I could forget the whole thing once and for all.

Her last letter was from Venice, Italy. She was a strange girl, leaving school in the middle of examinations and going to Europe. Well, there would be a lot of nice, young millionaires' sons just waiting for a girl like Vicki to walk on board their yachts.

Some people say architects are a race unto themselves. I guess I must have looked a little mad in my battered tweed jacket, in shreds at the elbows with a three-day or three-weeks growth of beard. Sometimes I even forgot to comb my hair or find out what day it was, but I was learning more architecture than I had dreamed existed in books and in men's imaginations. This was the most exciting time of my life, except for the dull pain called Vicki that was constantly there like a hunger pang.

Yesterday ended my third year. I was standing by myself on the steps of the library when a small figure emerged out of the darkness.

"Vicki!" I finally managed to say.

"Yes, darling," she replied softly putting her arms around my neck. "The last time I told you I'd be waiting you wouldn't listen, but that was three years ago. Perhaps if I say it a hundred times every day for the next year, you'll believe it."

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THAT CARTWRIGHT ADVERTISEMENT IS DUE THE WEEK AFTER NEXT, MISTER MITCHELL!

THANKS FOR REMINDING ME, BETTY! I'LL GET ON IT AS SOON AS I FINISH THIS ILLUSTRATION!

BUT UNKNOWN TO KENNETH MITCHELL, I WAS MORE THAN HIS ASSISTANT... I HAPPENED ALSO TO BE **SECRETLY IN LOVE WITH HIM!**

HE'S SO HANDSOME... SO TALENTED! HE'S THE ANSWER TO MY DREAMS ...TO THE LONGING IN MY HEART...

the BEAUTY of BETTY STORM

YES, I LOVED KENNETH MITCHELL, BUT **HE** WOULD NEVER BECOME INTERESTED IN ME... FOR HE SPECIALIZED IN PAINTING BEAUTIFUL WOMEN, AND THE **GLAMOROUS, SOPHISTICATED** MODELS HE USED WERE ALSO INTERESTED IN HIM! AGAINST COMPETITION LIKE THAT, **I** HADN'T A CHANCE!

NO MAN WOULD SETTLE FOR AN ORDINARY GAL LIKE ME, WHEN HE COULD WIN A GORGEOUS CREATURE LIKE HER!

THERE WERE MANY GLAMOROUS MODELS IN KENNETH'S LIFE, AND HE MADE A HIT WITH NEARLY ALL OF THEM...
THAT'S A GOOD POSE, VI! CAN YOU HOLD IT?
DARLING, FOR YOU I COULD STAY THIS WAY FOREVER!
HE OFTEN DATED HIS MODELS, AND EVERY TIME HE DID, IT WAS ANOTHER BLOW TO MY ANGUISHED HEART!
DINNER AND A SHOW! THE PERFECT EVENING AFTER A DAY'S WORK!
I FIND THAT ANY EVENING WITH KENNETH MITCHELL IS A PERFECT EVENING!
ONCE WE'RE FINISHED WITH WORK, HE DOESN'T EVEN KNOW I'M ALIVE!
YES, THOSE DAYS WERE PRETTY TERRIBLE FOR ME, AND THEY SEEMED TO BE GETTING WORSE ALL THE TIME...
BEING THIS CLOSE TO HIM, YET UNABLE TO TOUCH HIM, TO TELL HIM THAT I LOVE HIM... IT'S UNBEARABLE!
MY MOTHER, HOWEVER, HAD DIFFERENT IDEAS ON THE MATTER!
YOU SHOULD LET HIM KNOW HOW YOU FEEL ABOUT HIM! SHOW HIM THAT YOU LOVE HIM! YOU NEVER KNOW... HE MIGHT REACT MORE FAVORABLY THAN YOU EXPECT!
OH, I KNOW HOW HE'D REACT, AND IT WOULDN'T BE FAVORABLY!
WHY, HE'D THINK I WAS A FOOL TO LOVE A MAN WHO'S NEVER GIVEN ME EVEN THE SLIGHTEST BIT OF ENCOURAGEMENT, A MAN WHO CAN HAVE HIS PICK OF THE MOST GLAMOROUS AND SOPHISTICATED WOMEN, A MAN WHO WOULDN'T HAVE THE LEAST INTEREST IN AN ORDINARY GIRL LIKE ME!
NO, MOM, FOR MY OWN SELF-RESPECT I MUST KEEP MY LOVE A SECRET!
YOU MAY BE RIGHT, DEAR, BUT I DON'T THINK SO! I STILL FEEL YOU SHOULD LET HIM SEE HOW YOU FEEL! BUT, DO AS YOU THINK BEST!
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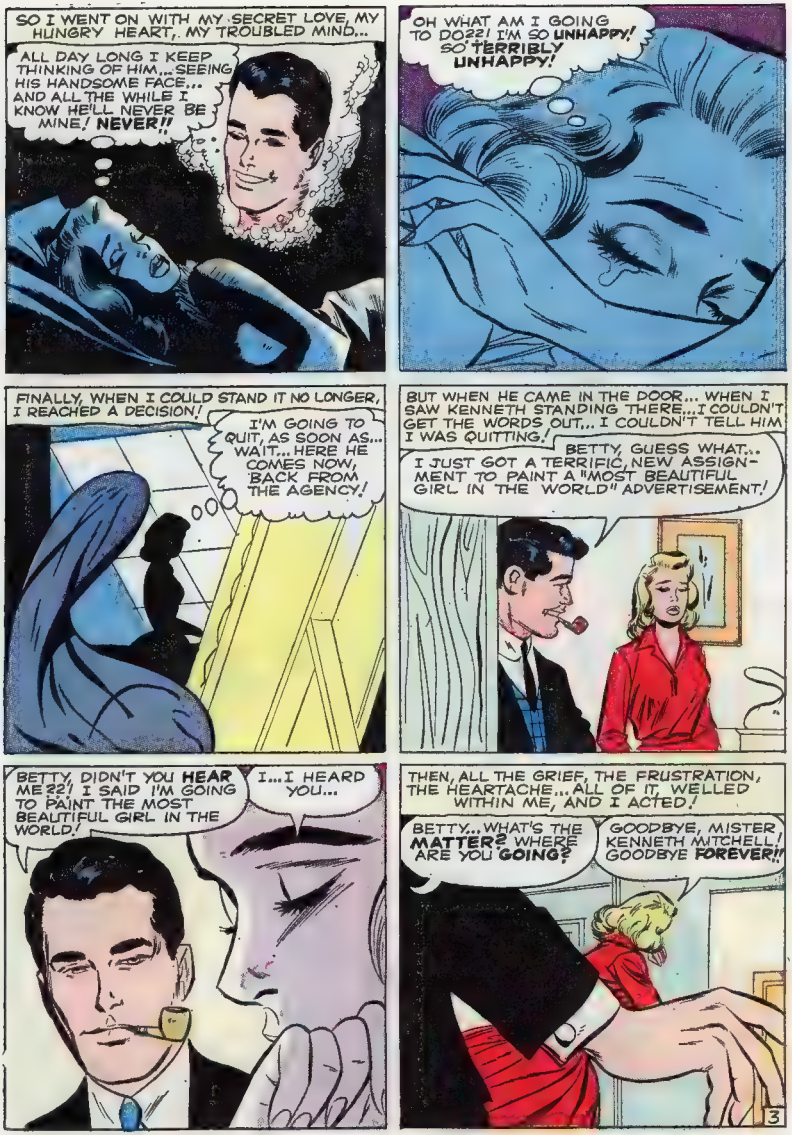
SO I WENT ON WITH MY SECRET LOVE, MY HUNGRY HEART, MY TROUBLED MIND...
ALL DAY LONG I KEEP THINKING OF HIM... SEEING HIS HANDSOME FACE... AND ALL THE WHILE I KNOW HE'LL NEVER BE MINE! NEVER!!
OH WHAT AM I GOING TO DO?? I'M SO UNHAPPY! SO TERRIBLY UNHAPPY!
FINALLY, WHEN I COULD STAND IT NO LONGER, I REACHED A DECISION!
I'M GOING TO QUIT, AS SOON AS... WAIT... HERE HE COMES NOW, BACK FROM THE AGENCY!
BUT WHEN HE CAME IN THE DOOR... WHEN I SAW KENNETH STANDING THERE... I COULDN'T GET THE WORDS OUT... I COULDN'T TELL HIM I WAS QUITTING!
BETTY, GUESS WHAT... I JUST GOT A TERRIFIC, NEW ASSIGNMENT TO PAINT A "MOST BEAUTIFUL GIRL IN THE WORLD" ADVERTISEMENT!
BETTY, DIDN'T YOU HEAR ME?? I SAID I'M GOING TO PAINT THE MOST BEAUTIFUL GIRL IN THE WORLD!
I... I HEARD YOU...
THEN, ALL THE GRIEF, THE FRUSTRATION, THE HEARTACHE... ALL OF IT, WELLED WITHIN ME, AND I ACTED!
BETTY... WHAT'S THE MATTER? WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
GOODBYE, MISTER KENNETH MITCHELL! GOODBYE FOREVER!!
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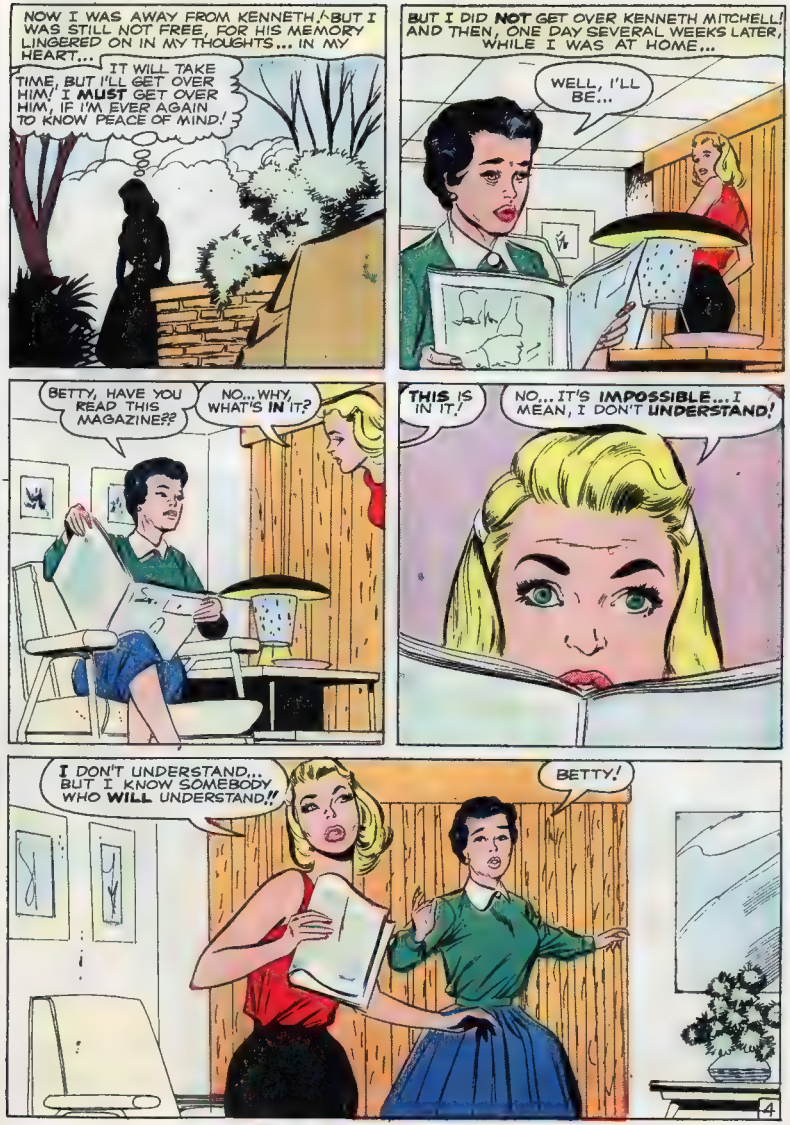
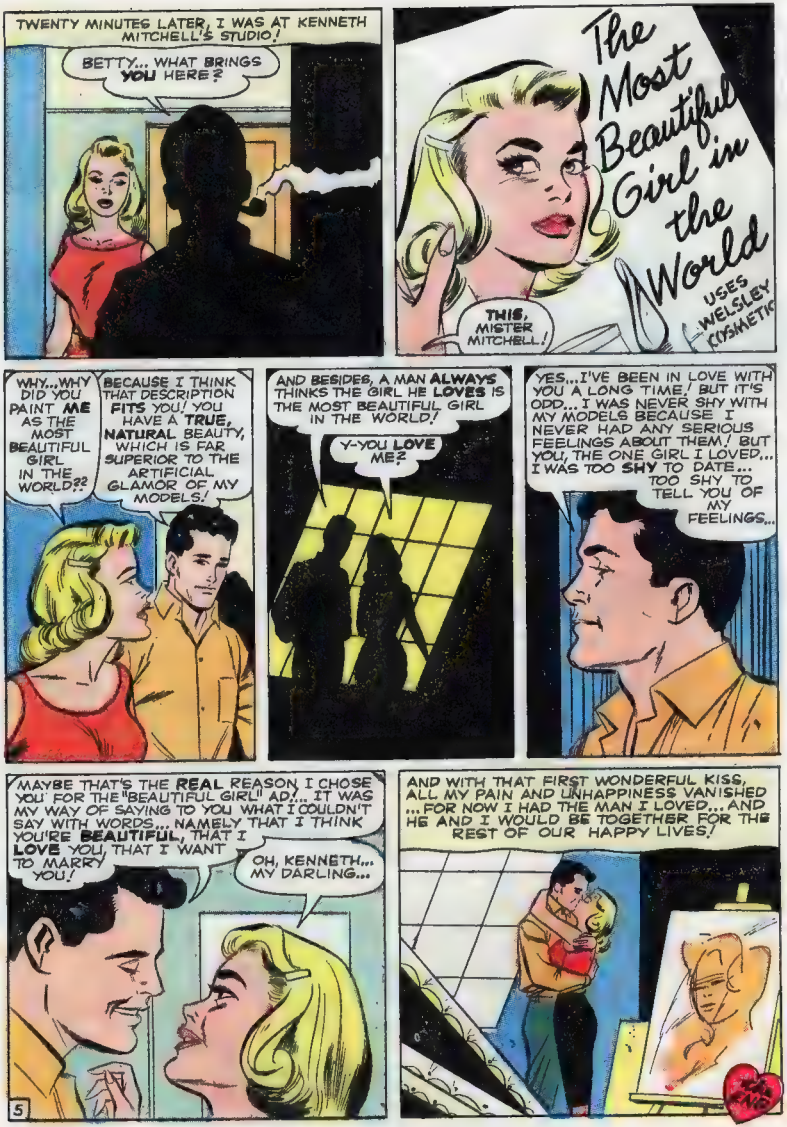

NOW I WAS AWAY FROM KENNETH, BUT I WAS STILL NOT FREE, FOR HIS MEMORY LINGERED ON IN MY THOUGHTS... IN MY HEART...
IT WILL TAKE TIME, BUT I'LL GET OVER HIM! I MUST GET OVER HIM, IF I'M EVER AGAIN TO KNOW PEACE OF MIND!
BUT I DID NOT GET OVER KENNETH MITCHELL! AND THEN, ONE DAY SEVERAL WEEKS LATER, WHILE I WAS AT HOME...
WELL, I'LL BE...
BETTY, HAVE YOU READ THIS MAGAZINE??
NO... WHY, WHAT'S IN IT?
THIS IS IN IT!
NO... IT'S IMPOSSIBLE... I MEAN, I DON'T UNDERSTAND!
I DON'T UNDERSTAND... BUT I KNOW SOMEBODY WHO WILL UNDERSTAND!!
BETTY!


TWENTY MINUTES LATER, I WAS AT KENNETH MITCHELL'S STUDIO!
BETTY... WHAT BRINGS YOU HERE?
The Most Beautiful Girl in the World
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THIS, MISTER MITCHELL!
WHY...WHY DID YOU PAINT ME AS THE MOST BEAUTIFUL GIRL IN THE WORLD??
BECAUSE I THINK THAT DESCRIPTION FITS YOU! YOU HAVE A TRUE, NATURAL BEAUTY, WHICH IS FAR SUPERIOR TO THE ARTIFICIAL GLAMOR OF MY MODELS!
AND BESIDES, A MAN ALWAYS THINKS THE GIRL HE LOVES IS THE MOST BEAUTIFUL GIRL IN THE WORLD!
Y-YOU LOVE ME?
YES...I'VE BEEN IN LOVE WITH YOU A LONG TIME! BUT IT'S ODD... I WAS NEVER SHY WITH MY MODELS BECAUSE I NEVER HAD ANY SERIOUS FEELINGS ABOUT THEM! BUT YOU, THE ONE GIRL I LOVED... I WAS TOO SHY TO DATE... TOO SHY TO TELL YOU OF MY FEELINGS...
MAYBE THAT'S THE REAL REASON I CHOSE YOU FOR THE "BEAUTIFUL GIRL" AD... IT WAS MY WAY OF SAYING TO YOU WHAT I COULDN'T SAY WITH WORDS... NAMELY THAT I THINK YOU'RE BEAUTIFUL, THAT I LOVE YOU, THAT I WANT TO MARRY YOU!
OH, KENNETH... MY DARLING...
AND WITH THAT FIRST WONDERFUL KISS, ALL MY PAIN AND UNHAPPINESS VANISHED ...FOR NOW I HAD THE MAN I LOVED... AND HE AND I WOULD BE TOGETHER FOR THE REST OF OUR HAPPY LIVES!
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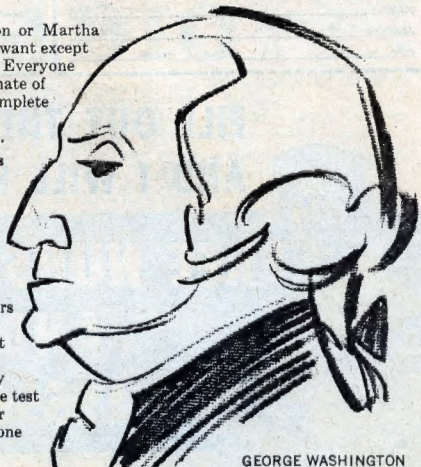

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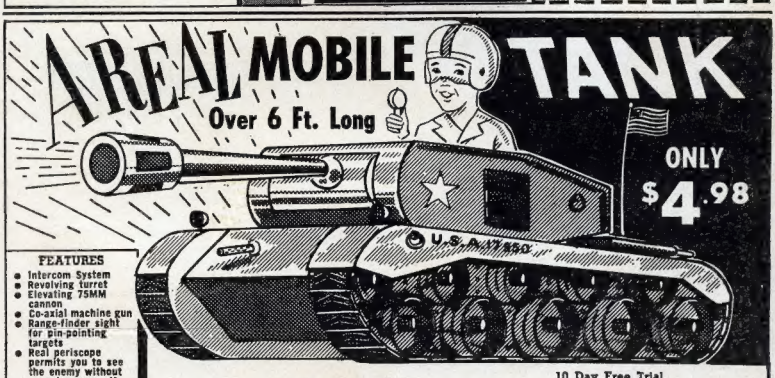

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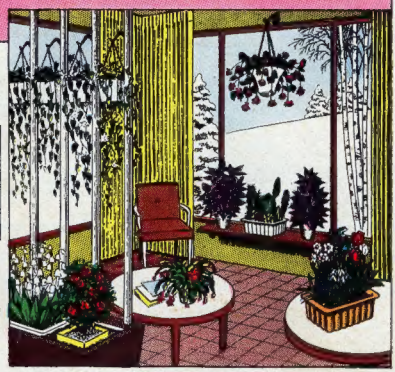

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